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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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OF INFLAMMATORY DISEASE

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 11, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) along with a Petition for a three-month extension of time accompany the present response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.